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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

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RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES-AWARD OF MUNICIPAL CONTRACTS

Introduced By: Representatives Edwards, Canario, Shekarchi, Maldonado, and Marshall

Date Introduced: April 26, 2017

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Section 45-55-2 of the General Laws in Chapter 45-55 entitled "Award of  
2 Municipal Contracts" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3           **45-55-2. Method of source selection.**

4           Except as otherwise authorized by law, all municipal contracts shall be awarded by:

5           (1) Competitive sealed bidding, pursuant to § 45-55-5;

6           (2) Competitive negotiations, pursuant to § 45-55-6;

7           (3) Non-competitive negotiations, pursuant to §§ 45-55-7 and 45-55-8;

8           (4) Small purchase procedures, pursuant to § 45-55-9; and

9           (5) Qualification based selection (QBS) process for architects/engineers pursuant to § 45-  
10 55-8.1, and program managers, construction managers, or construction managers at risk pursuant  
11 to §45-55-8.2.

12          SECTION 2. Chapter 45-55 of the General Laws entitled "Award of Municipal  
13 Contracts" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

14          **45-55-8.2. Qualification based selection of program managers, construction**  
15 **managers, or construction managers at risk.**

16          When the purchasing agent determines that the city or town needs the services of a  
17 program manager, construction manager, or construction manager at risk, the purchasing agent  
18 shall follow the regulations, as defined in §45-55-4 (16), for qualification based selection for the  
19 procurement of such services.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would require a city or town to utilize qualification based selection for the
- 2 procurement of program managers, construction managers, or construction managers at risk.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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